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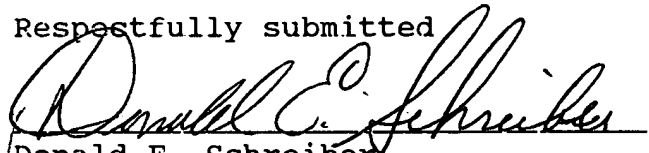
An Election/Restriction Requirement dated April 9, 2002, identifies the following thirty-three (33) species in the patent application identified above.

1. Figs. 1-14, 31, 32, 39, 40, 41, 42a, 43, 50, 53, 54, 55,
56a
2. Figs. 15, 15a
3. Fig. 16
4. Fig. 17
5. Fig. 18
6. Fig. 19
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9. Fig. 22
10. Fig. 23
11. Fig. 24
12. Fig. 24a
13. Fig. 24b
14. Fig. 24c
15. Fig. 25
16. Fig. 26
17. Fig. 27
18. Fig. 28
19. Fig. 29
20. Fig. 30
21. Fig. 32a
22. Fig. 32b
23. Fig. 33
24. Figs. 35, 36
25. Figs. 37, 38

- 26. Fig. 42b
- 27. Fig. 42c
- 28. Figs. 42d, 42e
- 29. Figs. 44, 45
- 30. Figs. 46-49
- 31. Fig. 51
- 32. Figs. 52a, 52b
- 33. Figs. 57-60

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute species no. 25 above, i.e. the species appearing in Figs. 37 and 38. Accordingly, Applicants withdraw from consideration, without prejudice, claims 144-152 and 156-158. Accordingly, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute independent method claim 153 together with claims 154 and 155 depending therefrom. Independent claim 153 is generic for the species of Figs. 37 and 38 while claims 154 and 155 specifically encompass that species.

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